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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

February 18, 2000

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated January 19, 2000, enclosed for filing is an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified patent application.

Please note that the \$130.00 surcharge fee for filing the late Declaration was paid at the initial filing (i.e. November 17, 1999). The fees enclosed at the initial filing, on November 17 1999, were \$1,230.00 (\$840.00 for basic national fee, \$260.00 for multiple dependent claims and \$130.00 surcharge for filing a late Declaration). In the event that any additional fees are due with this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 01-2340. This paper is filed in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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Translation of Annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report into English. Information Disclosure Statement(s) filed 17 Nov Assignment document. Power of Attorney and/or Change of Address. ☐ Substitute specification filed Statement Claiming Small Entity Status. Priority Document. Copy of the International Search Report and copies of the references cited therein. Other: 2. The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371: a. Translation of the application into English. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date. The current translation is defective for the reasons indicated on the attached Notice of Defective Translation. □ b. Processing fee for providing the translation of the application and/or the Annexes later that the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). c. Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) for the reasons indicated on the attached PCT/DO/EO/917. d. Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later that the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). 3. Additional claim fees of \$_ as a large entity small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due (37 CFR 1.492(g)). See attached PTO-875. ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH IN 2(a)-2(d) AND 3 ABOYE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN ONE MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 12/21 OR ☐ 31 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT. The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). 4. Translation of the Annexes MUST be submitted no later that the time period set above or the annexes will be cancelled. Note processing fee will be required if submitted later than 30 months from the priority date. 5. The Article 19 amendments are cancelled since a translation was not provided by the appropriate 20 (37 CFR 1.494(d)) or 30 (37 CFR 1.495(d)) months from the priority date. Applicant is reminded that any communication to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above. (37 CFR 1.5) A copy of this notice MUST be returned with this response. Enclosed: PCT/DO/EO/917

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